



GOGREEN STUDENT VOICE

SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT

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Inaugural GoGreen Student Voice Sustainability Summit - Feedback

Thank you to the organizations and schools who attended our first Summit. The summary of findings and testimonials below capture the success of the event and identify the changes required for 2023.

We are very grateful for the support of gener8 Events who managed the platform and provided the necessary operational and technical support for the event to occur at no cost to schools.

GoGreen Student Voice is a Social Enterprise established to build connections amongst schools, other Social Enterprises and Corporate entities, who are developing sustainable projects and programmes within their operations.

Feedback

The closed platform tracks student participation providing a safe environment for students to access gallery information, attend showcases in Inspirational Hall and watch debates and student panels. The focus on Learn, Share, and Inspire is designed to encourage students to confidently present their school's experience no matter what stage they are at with their projects.

The Scavenger Hunt activity was well received and proved engaging.

Galleries provided opportunities for students and schools to showcase their programmes and projects.

Social Enterprises (Not for Profits) recognised the opportunity to promote their strategies and programmes by forwarding material for the galleries and/or presenting online.

Greater planning is required for students to access technical support, before the event next year, if they are involved with debates or panels.

Because of varying time zones and clashes with other school events, activities will be recorded for the 2023 GoGreen Student Voice Sustainability Summit, and it will be conducted over one week **Monday August 14 to Friday August 18**. International schools who expressed an interest to attend this year will be able to access the event at more suitable times.

While schools were restricted to ten registrations, how registrations were utilised varied. Members of Sustainability Teams shared a registration in some cases, and when a curriculum approach was adopted by a school, a class used the registration and worked as a team.

Costs associated with the Summit include streaming, licensing, technical support, and operational planning. The De Mazenod Family Education Network is committed to working with GoGreen Student Voice to access funding and sponsorship by establishing Strategic Partners and Alliances. An ideal situation would be to establish enough revenue to manage the Summit and provide funds for experienced educators to support Corporates and Sustainability Teams to further develop the programme. In 2023 the expenses associated with the programme will continue to be subsidised, but there will be a nominal cost of \$100 per school to be paid at the time of registration.

Thank you for your involvement in 2022 and we look forward to the programme continuing to develop in 2023.

Regards,
Monique, Bella and the GoGreen Team



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Testimonials:

“Firstly, congratulations on an awesome event. Your effort and boldness in making this happen was truly inspiring. The enthusiasm and engagement of the young people said it all to me. Secondly, thank you for letting Precious Plastic and myself be a part of it. Just awesome! In the meanwhile, please count us in for any future events. We will promote this heavily. Best wishes and congratulations again

Bill Verhagen

EDUCATION OFFICER

PRECIOUS PLASTIC MELBOURNE

“Firstly, I wanted to start off by saying what a wonderful day, yesterday was for both me and the students. I loved the videos that were available to watch, the keynote speakers and the student’s input. My guys, Yr 6 students, were so engaged with the accruing points and sometimes this overtook their participation in the keynote speakers and other opportunities. You should be very proud of what you have been able to accomplish with Go Green. What a great concept”

“I am just writing to say thank you for including us yesterday. The students that attended were really engaged and asked me if they could attend the next summit as well! The Scavenger Hunt had them wanting to explore the site, which was easy to navigate. It appeared to go ahead without a hitch (from our end anyway.)”